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From the Sub-Dean

FEBRUARY CHAPTER EVENT

Retreat "Soli Deo Gloria": Saturday, February 12, chapter retreat at Canonicus Camp & Conference Center in Exeter, RI, for those registered by February 1st. Cost: \$22.50 includes continental breakfast, lunch, program. 9 AM - 2 PM. To register, send check for \$22.50 (made out to RIAGO) to Martha Sobaje, 2 Peacock Dr., Coventry, RI 02816 by February 1st. Directions will be mailed with the personality inventory.

MORNING MUNCH

The next Munch is Wednesday, February 16 at the Cinnamon Cafe, Rte. 2, Warwick.

COMPETITION RESULTS

The winners in the RIAGO sponsored *Competition for Piano Students* held on January 22 were Anthony Cardarelli (Junior High Division), Jeremy Estey (High School Division), and Nancy Nicholson (Adult Division). Each winner received a scholarship for six organ lessons, taught by David Morse. Thanks to Jane Rankin, chair, and committee members Betty Drew, Laura Brion, and David Martinez, for organizing this successful event. Also, thanks to Mark Steinbach, Susan Poirier Zybert, and David Norfrey, judges. Appreciation to Priscilla Rigg and the staff at St. Luke's Episcopal Church for hosting the competition.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING MARCH!

Scheduling conflicts force us to cancel the choral event on March 5th at Mathewson St. United Methodist Church. Our apologies.

Dr. Martha Sobaje

GODSPEED TO FORMER RIAGO DEAN BETTY NICKERSON

To all my friends in our RI Chapter, I will be moving to the state of Washington on January 30th. I wish our chapter the best for its 2007 Regional Convention. I remember that the 1985 convention was a lot of work but worthwhile, giving our chapter a feeling of accomplishment. It takes efforts from all members to make it a success. My new address is: 3425 Newbury Court SE, Olympia, WA 98501. My e-mail address remains the same. If I don't get to see you personally, I would love to hear from you by e-mail.

Betty Nickerson

RHODE ISLAND COMMUNITY CHOIRS ENEWS

An online service offered by Glenn Guittari posts choral performances. Get your events into the next listing. Include ticket prices and a contact phone number. Choral concert performances from church, college and university groups will be included. "Please let your singers know about this listing... they are our best audience members as well." Thanks, *Glenn Giuttari*

ACDA - Community Choirs Chair for RI, 9 Chestnut Street, Rehoboth, MA 02769; (508) 252-4304 or (800) 252-4304; Fax: (508) 252-4397.

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Saturday, February 12, 7:30PM:

Rhode Island Wind Orchestra, a chamber wind ensemble founded and conducted by **Robert Franzblau**, Associate Professor of Music and Director of Bands at Rhode Island College. Music of Gabrieli, Mozart, Stravinsky and Gounod.

Admission: \$15, \$10 (seniors and students); reserved seating available. Wheel chair accessible. St. Michael's Episcopal Church, corner of Hope and Church Streets, Bristol. (401) 254-0218 for information or reservations.

Friday, February 25, 8 PM, St. Joseph's Church, 92 Hope St. Providence:

Sunday, February 27, 3 PM, St. Mary's Church, 330 Wood St, Bristol:

The Providence Singers: New Music for a New Age, **Julian Wachner**, conductor. Inspiring, intriguing, "magically beautiful" works for chorus, percussion and harp, by awardwinning composers: John Tavener: *Song for Athene and The Lamb;* Henryk Górecki: *Amen;* Morten Lauridsen: *O Magnum Mysterium;* Trevor Weston: *Ma'at Musing;* Elena Ruehr: *Cricket, Spider, Bee;* Julian Wachner: *sometimes i feel alive.* Text sources include Shakespeare, William Blake, Emily Dickinson, E.E. Cummings, and ancient/modern Egyptian poetry. Tickets: \$24 and \$20; senior, WGBH (\$22, \$18), and student (\$12, \$10) discounts available. Buy online: www.arttixri.com/performance-info.cfm?PID=522 or (401) 621-6123 Info: www.providencesingers.org or (401) 683-1932 (for group sales also).

Sunday, March 6, 3 PM:

Twentieth Annual Frank Crandall Memorial Organ Recital. Featured performer **Diana Norton-Jackson**, former Dean of the Rhode Island Chapter, AGO will perform works by Bach, Benoit, Buxtehude, Dubois, Guilmant, Dupont, and Renaud. Free admission, donations accepted. Reception follows. Peace Dale Congregational Church, 261 Columbia Street, Peace Dale. 789-7313 for directions, information.

UDPDATES:

Directory update:

Elaine Alexander: 6 Summer Street, Wakefield, RI 02879 e-mail: knotsnow@cox.net

Substitute List update:

Laura Brion: 578-4491 (weddings, funerals)

BOARD MEETINGS - NOTE CHANGE

RIAGO Board meeting dates: March 15, May 9, June 6

PLACEMENT LISTINGS

Calvary Baptist Church (American Baptist)
747 Broad St, Providence, RI 02907
Rev. Linda Spoolstra (401) 461-7507
O/D \$10,000 Moller

St. Andrew Lutheran Church (Lutheran-ELCA) 08/04 15 East Beach Rd., Charlestown, RI 02813

06/04

Jean Fournier (401) 364-9103, (401) 364-7357 O/D \$10.000-15.000 Allen

Phenix Baptist Church (American Baptist) 10/04 2 Fairview Ave., W. Warwick, RI 02893 Dorothy Brindamour

Organist \$90-110/week Adams

Emmanuel Episcopal Church 11/04

120 Nate Whipple Hwy, Cumberland, RI 02864 Rev. Susan Stiles (401) 658-1506

O/D \$750/month Allen

Roger Williams Baptist Church 12/04 224 Woodward Rd., Providence, RI 02904 Elaine Chauvin (401) 333-5011

O/D ---- pipe organ

NEWS FROM AGO

AGO and National Pastoral Musicians announce the latest of dual certifications: Colleague. A detailed list of examination requirements is available online at www.agohq.org. Call 212-870-2311 ext. 4303 or e-mail exams@agohq.org for further information.

A scholarship fund has been established to assist Organ Encounter attendees beginning in 2005: The Martin M. Wick Scholarship for Pipe Organ Encounters. Tax deductible contributions in memory of Mr. Wick, son of founder John Wick, and president of the Wicks Organ Company for 60 years, are welcome. The fund is one of eleven sheltered under the New Organist Fund of AGO.

More than 100 items bearing the Guild seal and logo, national convention memorabilia, and historic photos are available at www.cafepress.com/agohq.

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FROM THE EDITOR

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Althea Allard